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Thread: [Reading the result from calculator app?](#)

ToXiiC - February 19, 2018, 7:52 pm

I was checking this out...

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/dotnet/visual-basic/developing-apps/programming/computer-resources/how-to-start-an-application-and-send-it-keystrokes>

That part is simple enough but how do you go about obtaining the result and placing it in a variable?

Stixx - February 19, 2018, 7:54 pm

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ToXiiC - February 19, 2018, 7:56 pm

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I'm trying to learn for other purposes my friend but this made me giggle a bit. ?

gigajew - February 20, 2018, 8:40 am

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0xDEAD10CC - February 21, 2018, 5:07 pm

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Yeah this isn't going to work with Windows 10 calculator though as it is a Windows store app..

? Soufian ? - February 21, 2018, 5:09 pm

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0xDEAD10CC - February 21, 2018, 6:29 pm

(Feb 21, 2018 06:09 PM)? Soufian ? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Kinda funny how that page shows you how to

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It's really the same principle. Although what people don't get is that this isn't going to work with Windows store apps.

gigajew - February 21, 2018, 7:40 pm

What DEADLOCK said. Another option is to find the pointer to the address of the value in calculator. Just make sure check version compability or implement pattern scanning

I've got to ask - which app is it really that you're trying to read a value from? That could make all the difference